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## Consumers Urged to Cash Matured Bonds

The Bureau of Public Debt says retirees own billions of dollars in matured U.S. Savings Bonds – some 30 to 40 years old, some worth more than five times their fair value. To assist retirees in redeeming the bonds for other investments or purposes, the bureau is taking action to notify customers and to provide assistance in determining final maturity dates.

U.S. Savings Bond information is posted on the Public Debt website at <a href="http://www.savingsbonds.gov">http://www.savingsbonds.gov</a>. It is designed to help owners determine the value of their savings bonds, final maturity dates, interest accrual dates and yield information. Updated monthly, it also includes a special section about matured and maturing bonds.

Retirees are urged to redeem old bonds at their local financial institutions. For more information bond owners can call 1-800-4US-BONDS (1-800-487-2663) or write to Savings Bonds, Attn: Old Savings Bonds, Parkersburg, WV, 26106-1328.